REMARKS

By the foregoing Amendment, Claim 2 is amended. Entry of the Amendment, and favorable consideration thereof is earnestly requested.

Claims 1-22 are subject to a requirement for election of species. The Examiner has identified three distinct species, Species I to which Claim 1, 3 and 5-17 are directed, Species II to which Claims 2, 4 and 20-22 are directed and Species III to which Claims 18-19 are directed.

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Species I (Claims 1, 3 and 5-17) at this time. However, Applicant respectfully points out to the Examiner that Claims 18-19 (i.e., the claims directed to Species III) are dependent upon Claim 1, and as such, Claim 1 is generic to species I and III. Moreover, Applicant respectfully points out that Claim 2 has been amended to also depend from Claim 1, and that therefore Claim 2 and the claims which depend therefrom, namely Claims 4 and 20-22 (i.e., the claims directed to Species III) all now depend from Claim 1 such that Claim 1 is also now generic to these Claims.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that Claim 1 is now generic to all pending claims. As such, Applicant respectfully requests

Examination of Claims 1, 3 and 5-17 at this time, and respectfully submits that the

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remaining claims (i.e., Claims 2, 4 and 18-22) should be entitled to consideration once generic Claim 1 is allowed.

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Amendments to the Drawings:

No amendments are made to the Drawings herein.